Yugoslavia	US $ 12 million	(in kind)
Argentina	US $ 3 million for 1987	(in kind)
Congo	CFA 100 million Us $ 330,000	(in kind)
France	FF 20 million	
Barbadose	Bd a 100,000	
Djibouti	US a 10,000	(in cash)-recd.
Italy	Lire 4 billion	(in food aid)
Libya	US $ 10 million	(50% in cash 50% in kind)
Guyana	US $ 5000	(in cash)-recd.
USSR	Roubles 65 million (eq. US $ 100 million)	(goods, experts & training facilities)
Afghanistan	US $ 5000	(in cash)
Nicaragua	US $ 50,000	(in cash)
Nauru	Aus. $ 10,000	(in cash)-recd.
Bangladesh	US $ 10,000	(in cash)
Mauritius	US $ 38,328,90	(in cash)
Maldives	US $ 1,000	(in cash)
Norway	NK 10 million	(in kind)
Uganda	US $ 1,00.000	(in cash)
Phillippines	US $ 500	(in cash)
Pakistan	Pak Rs. 50 million	(in kind)
Sweden	Project assistance	
Cyprus	US $ 100,000	(in kind)
Brunei	US $ 100,000	(in cash)

Deal for export of basmati rice to gulf countries

*133. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the S.T.C. has entered into a deal for the export of 45,000 tonnes of basmati rice @ 721 per tonne to Gulf countries;

(b) if so, whether a private company has been entrusted with the job; if so, the name thereof;

(c) whether the consortium of Indian Exporters had offered to sell rice @ 800 per tonne;

(d) if so, the reasons for not accepting their offer; and

(e) the grade of basmati rice being exported?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a) to (e) STC signed three contracts with Government bying organisations of Kuwait, Bahrain and Oman for sale of Grade 'B' raw milled basmati rice

March-April, 1987. The contracts were negotiated and finalised, based on prices in the Gulf market and on the basis of sample and offer given by M/s. Abullah Haji Rahimtulla Group of Cos.; New Delhi, who are, therfore, to execute these contracts. A group of Indian exporters had offered to supply this grade of basmati rice to STC for export at a much higher price and with certain conditions. Considering that the price at which this group offered to supply rice to STC was higher than the acceptable level of price in the Gulf market and also conditions imposed by them were not acceptable to STC, their offer was rejected by the STC.

Assessment of Wastelands Development

*135. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any assessment has since been made by Government in regard to the development of wastelands in the country during the past 20 years;

(b) if so, what are the details of the programme in regard to the development of wastelands carried out in the country during the past five years yearwise and Statewise; and

(c) the funds allocated to each State for the purpose and how far it will help in increasing the production in the country?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BHAJAN LAL): (a) Since 1966, 10.54 million hectares of area have been developed through afforestation.

(b) Details of afforestation carried out during the past 5 years are given in Statement-I, laid on the Table of the House. (See below).

(c) Funds allocated for afforestation are given in Statement-II (a) and (b) laid on the Table of the House (See below). The afforestation by way of increased production directly helps in meeting the demands of the people for fuelwood, fodder, small, timber, fruit, other minor products and indirectly in checking the soil erosion, reclaimation of land, moisture conservation, other ecological improvements as a whole.

Statement-I

Wasteland Reclaimed by Afforestation Twenty Point Programme@

(Area in '000 Ha.)
Yearwise Achievements

State/U.T.	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87
Andhra Pradesh	62.15	78.835	96.067	157.80	143.71
Assam	15.30	21.154	21.126	19.80	31.28
Bihar	45.05	53.48	68.689	76.15	135.55
Gujarat	123.40	144·198	145.17	124·85	113.55
Haryana	38·00	50·6	48·375	46·85	37.08
Himachal Pradesh	23.40	25·81	25·95	33·60	33.56
J&K	10·25	11.297	14·485	23.35	28·53
Karnataka	88·40	112·25	115·38	127·30	115.84